REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to replace Table 4 on page 120 and Table 6 on page 139 of the specification, in order to correct minor informalities in the second column from the left in each table. A marked-up copy of the tables is attached and entitled "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

Further, claims 15 and 16 have been amended to delete the reference numeral "2" after "the second dielectric layer". No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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Table 6

Medium No.	Information layer	Composition of the second recording layer (mol%) / Composition of the first recording layer (mol%)	Erase ratio			Δja			Δjo		
			1x	2x	4x	1x	2x	4x	1x	2x	4x
300-11	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_7$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$(GeTe)_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_7$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-12	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_7$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$[(SnTe)_{0.1}(GeTe)_{0.9}]_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_7$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-13	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_7$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$[(SnTe)_{0.3}(GeTe)_{0.7}]_{93}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.9}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.1}]_7$	S	S	S	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-B	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{93}(In_2Te_3)_7$	C	C	C	—	—	—	—	—	—
	~~Second~~ First	$(GeTe)_{93}(Bi_2Te_3)_7$	S	S	S	C	C	C	S	S	S

Table 4

Medium No.	Information layer	Composition of second recording layer (mol%) / Composition of first recording layer (mol%)	Erase ratio			Δja			Δjo		
			1x	2x	4x	1x	2x	4x	1x	2x	4x
300-1	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.3}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.7}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$(GeTe)_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.3}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.7}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-2	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.3}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.7}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$[(SnTe)_{0.1}(GeTe)_{0.9}]_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.5}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.5}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-3	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.3}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.7}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
	~~Second~~ First	$[(SnTe)_{0.3}(GeTe)_{0.7}]_{97}[(In_2Te_3)_{0.9}(Bi_2Te_3)_{0.1}]_3$	S	S	A	A	A	S	S	A	A
300-A	~~First~~ Second	$(GeTe)_{97}(Bi_2Te_3)_3$	S	S	S	C	C	C	S	S	S
	~~Second~~ First	$(GeTe)_{97}(In_2Te_3)_3$	C	C	C	—	—	—	—	—	—